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## THE COMMON COUNCIL.

## MUCH BUSINESS TRANSACTED AT LAST NIGHT'S REGULAR MEETING.

**Mr. Hirst Objected to the Big Five's Caucus Resolutions—Mr. Martin's Sewer Caps Again Under Discussion—Sewer Improvements to Be Made—Disapproved by the Mayor—Steam Engine for the Crusher—Miscellaneous Business.**

The regular performance of the Common Council was given. Monday night, with several new and thrilling acts introduced. The full board was present, and Mayor Berry was in his accustomed seat.

Mr. Hirst had a star part. He has become disgusted with the actions of the "powers" in meeting in private sessions between regular meetings to arrange motions to be passed at meetings by the Big Five, while the little four sit by and protest.

Alderman Memory appeared with a batch of these syndicate resolutions. They were all type written and banded in by him, though occasionally the name of another was given out as the introducer of the resolution. This assumption of the whole work of the evening resulted in two resolutions being introduced and passed by the Council when presented by the minority, only to be followed a little later by the syndicate motion. On one occasion the Council granted a petition which had not been read, through the clerk's finding the motion before the petition. President Mance explained this irregularity by saying that he desired to expedite matters, and later in the evening the petition was read.

The fun commenced when the matter of securing sewer caps for the proposed work on East avenue was reached.

Mr. Hirst stated that the city had twenty-two caps which it had ordered from Mr. Martin, and which he believed Mr. Martin could force the city to take.

The powers called for the motion ordering the purchase of necessary sewer caps, and then voted solidly for it, Messrs. Mance, Allen, Hirst and Tierney voting "no."

Mr. Hirst took the floor:

"Mr. President, I think a job has been put up again. This crowd comes here again with its resolutions all written out. I claim in this matter that Mr. Martin can sue the city and make it take those caps. We ordered those caps. We allowed Mr. Martin to think that we would take them all, and now some of the members of this Board seem to have turned right around to put up a job to prevent Mr. Martin's putting them in this season. Mr. Memory comes here with his resolutions, which come from put up jobs at the special meetings the Big Five are holding, and they are introduced without the other members of the Council knowing when or where they were originated. I'm opposed to this putting up jobs outside."

He sat down and Mr. Bastian replied:

"Mr. President, I think Mr. Hirst likes to hear himself talk sometimes. We have passed nothing which prevents the purchasing of caps from Mr. Martin. As to the meetings which he speaks of it's not his business nor anybody's business how much we meet." Mr. Hirst started to his feet, but Mr. Bastian commanded "sit down!" and continued:

"When we meet it is not against you, Mr. Hirst, nor against Mr. Martin. We shall continue to meet when ever we deem fit and it does not suit your gang you can lump it."

Mr. Mance dropped the gavel and said sternly: "no personalities."

Mr. Hirst again took the floor and rehearsed the story of the city's failure to take the sewer caps, which it certainly ordered from Mr. Martin, and Mr. Bastian interrupted, saying, "Isn't this all out of place?" The president hit the marble in front of him a whack which showed his acceptance of the chairman's previous invitation to the minority to "lump it," and said decisively: "Mr. Hirst has the floor."

This ended that part of the performance.

The next skirmish was between the leaders of the factions, Mr. Memory and the president. The former introduced a resolution to stop East avenue, sprinkle it with crushed stone, etc., from East Main to Washington street. He explained that it was deferred from the one he passed at the previous meeting in that he had left out that part of the street south of Washington street. Mr. Mance stated that the previous resolution should be rescinded and then the new motion would be in order.

Mr. Memory—"I don't think it is out of order."

Mr. Memory—"I object."

Mr. Memory—"There certainly can be no serious objection to putting the question."

Mr. Mance—"None at all when the other is rescinded."

Mr. Memory then moved to rescind the previous resolution which was done.

The real business of the evening was transacted rapidly under Mr. Mance's constant urging, and at 11.10 the Council adjourned.

Mr. Flynn, North street, asked that a sewer be laid between Low and Warner avenues in North street. He cited diphtheria and typhoid fever cases under present arrangements. It was ordered done.

A farmer whose identity was not revealed presented a long petition asking that farmers be not shut out of the city by an excessive license for the sale of their produce. It was explained by Mr. Memory that his resolution did not refer to them. The setting of the fee to be charged was laid over until next week.

## IMPROVEMENTS.

By Mr. Hirst—California and Hillsdale

avenues will be improved.

By Mr. Ogden—The wall on West Main street near the tracks will be repaired.

By Mr. Memory—East avenue will be scraped, sprinkled with crushed stone, curb reset, and the sidewalks relaid placed where needed between East Main and Washington streets.

Mr. Ogden—Wawayanda avenue work commenced this morning.

By Mr. Bastian—That easterly side of Centre street be curbed where not already done within two weeks.

Mr. Hirst—Property owners on Centre street connect with sewer. (A syndicate resolution appeared later.)

Mr. Ayres—Incandescent light ordered on Ridge street, between East Main and the Children's Home.

Mr. Ayres—Crosswalks at East Broadway and Prospect avenue on East Main street.

Mr. Ayres—City clerk notify each property owner on King, Centre and Depot streets to make water, gas and sewer connections.

Mr. Crans—Bids for blue stone for curbing city lots on Chestnut street solicited and will be opened at next meeting.

Mr. Hirst—City purchase hose coupler straightener of ex-Chief Thorpe \$2.50.

Mr. Crans—Crosswalk, south side of Liberty street, at Wallkill avenue.

Mr. Ayres—Gutter ordered in front of F. W. Lowe's property on East Main street, seventy-nine feet.

Mr. Allen—Trees in streets must be trimmed by owners in one week, or Street Commissioner will do the work.

Mr. Hirst—On recommendation of Health Board the overflow of Harding street sewer was ordered shut off, and Moulagen Brook ordered cleaned in ten days.

Mr. Bastian—Law Committee and Mayor will confer with owners of land on the proposed Highland avenue extension with the intention of securing the right of way to the city limits, to report at next regular meeting.

Mr. Hirst—Bill of Patrick Murria, \$25, rent dumping ground, ordered paid.

Mr. Ayres—Street Committee empowered to secure new dumping ground.

Mr. Crans—City engineer's map proposed grade of Cottage street referred to Street Committee, to report at the next meeting.

Mr. Allen—Property owners easterly side Smith street ordered to drain their properties.

Mr. Bastian—Repairs to Waalkill's house referred to Street Committee.

## PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT.

Mr. Memory—City Engineer instructed to advertise for bids in the city papers for two weeks for asphalt block and vitrified brick, together with the necessary cement and sand for the construction of pavements in King, Centre and Depot streets, was to be opened at 8 p. m., July 12th.

## PETITIONS.

G. H. Iseman, T. Ed. Hayes and H. C. McBair petitioned to be allowed to construct subways in the city to properly equip an electric lighting system.

These subways are to be placed under the walks, said walks to be relaid at the expense of the company.

The city have the right to use the said subways for fire alarm wires without cost.

The subways are to be open to any company at an annual rental not to exceed 5 per cent. of the cost of construction.

This petition was granted.

## TRAMWAY LIGHTING HORSES.

Mr. Ogden brought up a complaint against Armour Reef Company's tramway over street used in unloading cars of beef. Referred to the Street Committee.

## FOR THE FIREMEN.

Mr. Hirst—Dozen charges of chemicals for fire extinguishers ordered.

## STREET SPRINKLING.

Mr. Memory—Flooding of streets by street sprinkler referred to the police.

## NO ACTION TAKEN.

Request for grading 400 feet on Liberty street, below Wallkill avenue, left for future reference.

## LUNCH WAGON MUST GO.

Mr. Ogden—Jacob Newman given ten days to remove his wagon from the street.

## FOR COPIES OF THE CHARTER.

Mr. Ogden—That 300 copies of the charter bound in book form, with all the amendments, be printed at Times by \$37.

## DISAPPROVED BY THE MAYOR.

Crosswalk in front of J. J. Huyler's residence on Benton avenue, "not necessary."

Bill of C. C. Lutes to be paid at twenty-five cents for registration of birth, death and marriage certificates. "This resolution, so far as it applies to the payment for burial permits, is hereby returned without my approval, as I am informed that there is some doubt as to the legality of that portion of the bill. The subject has been submitted to the Attorney General, and the matter can be disposed of in accordance with his decision."

Dr. Nelson's bill of \$100 for services as Health Officer was ordered paid.

WILL BUY AN ENGINE.

Mr. Memory—That the Climax Crusher Company ship the full crusher equipment, including power and bins holding forty tons.

## BIDS FOR LIGHTING.

Mr. Memory—That the clerk advertise for bids for lighting the city as at present lighted, said bids to be opened July 12th.

## PART PAYMENT.

C. W. Hill was ordered paid \$315 on account of his contract in repairing the King street building.

## TO PUSH THE SUIT.

City Attorney Wiggins was instructed to procure assistant counsel and push

the claims against the Traction Company as fast and as hard as possible on recommendation of Mr. Mance, who retired from the chair in favor of Mr. Crans.

The attorney was also given authority to procure counsel to assist him in defending the Wawayanda suits.

## BILLS ADDED.

Pay roll.....	\$258 95
C. R. Fuller.....	329 88
H. H. Hunt.....	31 00
James G. Martin.....	10 00
F. R. Wilson.....	35 00
I. B. A. Taylor.....	16 00
Pay roll.....	443 50
R. G. Slater.....	103 68
Police.....	275 06

## WAS THE DOG MAD?

**Its Queer Actions Frightened the Occupants of Walsh's Cafe.**

A number of young men who were in John Walsh's cafe on Railroad avenue, Monday night, were frightened by a peculiarly acting dog which ran into the place. He was frothing at the mouth and snapping at space. A well directed beer glass hit him on the head and he ran out and disappeared among the O. and W. freight cars.

## NEW HAMPTON.

**Gathering the Hay Crop—Personal Mention.**

Correspondent Argus and Mercury.

—Farmers in this vicinity are very busy haying.

—Miss Cole, of Middletown, is visiting Mrs. John Stage.

—Mrs. L. H. Bouton, sons and daughter, of New Rochelle, are rusticiating at Chechnuk.

—Miss May Cloonan, of Weedsport, N. Y., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James McVeigh.

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Yesterday	To-day
Sugar.....	127 1/2
Tobacco.....	75 7/8
Chicago Gas.....	95 1/2
Nat. Lead.....	30 1/2
General Electric.....	34 1/2
U. S. L. pref.....	39 1/2
Tenn. Coal and Iron.....	24 1/2
W. & S. F.....	15 1/2
C. B. & Q.....	84 1/2
C. M. & St. P.....	83 1/2
R. I.....	70 1/2
D. L. & W.....	158
C. of N. J.....	84
Erie.....	15 1/2
D. and E.....	109 1/2
O. & N. Y.....	15 1/2
Quebecana & Western.....	27 1/2
P. & R.....	28
N. W.....	117 1/2
L. S.....	10 1/2
N. Y. C.....	10 1/2
N. P.....	10 1/2
Texas.....	10 1/2
U. P.....	54 1/2
W. Union.....	85 1/2
L. & N.....	52
Manhattan.....	90 1/2
P. M.....	39 1/2
W. Wash. pref.....	15 1/2
N. Pacific pref.....	41 1/2
W. L.....	41 1/2
Southern R. Y.....	—
Southern pref.....	30 1/2
J. W. Wheat.....	70 1/2
J. W. Corn.....	25
J. W. Pork.....	17 1/2
J. W. Lard.....	4 1/2

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## STATISTICS OF RAILROADS.

**As to Length of Track the United States is Far in the Lead.**

The railway mileage of the world has during the last 16 years increased at an average annual rate of 14,000 miles, and now stand at about 440,500 miles. It will readily be inferred that, in regard to length of track, the United States is an easy first. At the end of last year it possessed 182,500 miles of steam railway, as compared with 176,220 miles in 1894. For the whole American continent the total is approximately 230,370 miles. South America boasting a trifle in excess of 24,000 miles, Canada and Newfoundland 16,230 and Mexico and Central America the rest—a matter of 7,640 miles. In the whole of Europe there are 161,500 miles, Germany leading with 29,240 miles, France coming second with 26,450 miles and Russia third with 23,630 miles. The place of Great Britain and Ireland is fourth on the list. Our actual mileage in operation, according to the latest return of the board of trade, was 21,174 miles at the beginning of last year. Next after this country ranks Austro-Hungary, with 18,960 miles. Asia, as a consequence of activity on the Trans-Siberian railroad, in British India and Japan (which has recently had its railway mania) has in the last three years seen a remarkable increase, and the total now works out at 23,490 miles, against 20,070 miles in 1893. Of this total 19,770 miles must be credited to India: 2,650 miles to Japan and 2,300 miles to Russia, the others being Dutch India, (1,260 miles), Asia Minor (1,100 miles), Ceylon, Siam, Malay and Port India. Cochinchina, Tonquin China and Persia. In the whole of Africa, which has an area of about 11,950,000 square miles, or around 4,000,000 miles more than either Asia or America, there are about 8,500 miles of railway; while Australia, with an area of 2,954,417 square miles now possesses close up to 16,000 miles.

In regard to railway mileage per 100 square miles of territory, neither of the three great continents of Asia, Africa and America shows well beside Europe. There are ten countries in which the state does not control the railways, namely, Great Britain, Colombia, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Spain, Switzerland, Turkey, the United States and Uruguay. Eighteen governments own and operate some of their railways. These are Argentina, Australia, Austria-Hungary, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, South Africa, Chili, Denmark, France, Germany, Guatemala, India, Japan, Norway, Portugal, Russia and Sweden. Egypt and Nicaragua own and control practically all their railways, while Greece, Holland and Italy own part of their several systems, but do not work any, leasing all the present mileage to joint stock companies. In Canada about one-tenth of the total mileage is owned and controlled by the government, which loses something like \$100,000 per annum on its operation.—Fall Mail Gazette.

## HOT WATER SPRINGS IN IDAHO.

**Flowing from a Mountain Side Two Miles from Boise City.**

Nature now supplies the inhabitants of Boise City, Idaho, with hot water, and thereby helps them materially to be clean and healthy. The hot water comes to the surface of the plain at the base of the mountains two miles above the city and rises through a sandstone and porous eruptive formation. Seven years ago capitalists sunk three six-inch tubes 455 feet, obtaining a steady flow under a strong subterranean pressure of about 1,800,000 gallons daily. The wells are connected with mains, by which the hot water is led to the city, and to which service pipes are connected leading the water into the building, where it is made to pass through the coils similar to steam heaters.

The natural pressure in this city is 40 pounds per square inch, and the heat is registered by waste cocks, increase of flow indicating increasing heat. Rates are charged on the basis of the size of waste, and are little higher than coal. Two large schools, three banks, nearly all buildings, an immense natorium and many dwellings use it exclusively for heating. No pumping is necessary. The water leaves the wells at 170 degrees and loses only five degrees traveling two miles, as the mains are substantially nonconductors of heat. Eighteen large schoolrooms are heated with a waste pipe of three-fourths of an inch in diameter.

A promising well is now being driven one mile from the city, in the same formation, to supply the military post and add to the city supply, and shows an increase of temperature and flow, as depth is obtained. The waters are highly mineralized, but are unfit for table purposes, though excellent for skin diseases and bathing.—N. Y. Journal.

**Treasure Ships.**

Some of the famous treasure ships which lie at the bottom of the sea include L'Orient, sunk by Nelson at the battle of the Nile, with \$3,000,000 aboard; the Latone, sunk in the Zuyder Zee with \$7,000,000 in her hold; the De Drake, lost off Delaware bay with Spanish bullion, and the ship Golden Gate, which went down off Cape Hatteras while returning from California in the '50s loaded with gold. Official statistics show that 2,000 vessels are sunk annually, the vessels and cargoes being valued at \$100,000,000. The Atlantic and Pacific coasts are strewn with old and new wrecks, many laden with valuable cargoes.—Chicago Chronicle.

**Piling Up a War Fund.**

It is said that Greece for the last three years has been defaulting 70 per cent. of the annual interest on her treasury bonds held abroad for the purpose of creating a secret war fund destined for use in the invasion of Turkish territory.—N. Y. World.

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